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# S. 2725

To provide for fairness for the Federal judiciary.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 3, 2009

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. GRAHAM) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Federal Judicial Fair-  
5       ness Act of 2009”.

6       **SEC. 2. JUDICIAL COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES.**

7       (a) REPEAL OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENT RELAT-  
8       ING TO JUDICIAL SALARIES.—Section 140 of the resolu-  
9       tion entitled “A Joint Resolution making further con-  
10      tinuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1982, and for  
11      other purposes.”, approved December 15, 1981 (Public

1 Law 97–92; 95 Stat. 1200; 28 U.S.C. 461 note), is re-  
2 pealed.

3 (b) AUTOMATIC SALARY ADJUSTMENTS.—Section  
4 461(a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 “(a) Effective at the beginning of the first applicable  
7 pay period commencing on or after the first day of the  
8 month in which an adjustment takes effect under sections  
9 5303 and 5304 of title 5 in the rates of pay under the  
10 General Schedule, each salary rate which is subject to ad-  
11 justment under this section shall be adjusted by an  
12 amount, rounded to the nearest multiple of \$100 (or, if  
13 midway between multiples of \$100, to the next higher mul-  
14 tiple of \$100) equal to the percentage of such salary rate  
15 which corresponds to the overall average percentage of the  
16 adjustment in the rates of pay under the General Sched-  
17 ule.”.

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